Mountain Weather Forecast

Brecon Beacons National Park

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Thursday 11 Mar 2021 until 23:59 on Friday 12 Mar 2021

Forecast Issued on Thursday 11 Mar 2021 at 03:33

Confidence: High for continuing unsettled with showers or longer periods of rain and some summit snow. Confidence lowering for timing of worst of the weather in the outlook period.

Headline for Thursday 11 Mar 2021: Winds only gradually easing, with blustery showers and some summit snow. Sunny spells likely between showers.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 11 Mar 2021

Blizzards Low Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales Low Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Low Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms Low Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Sleet	Cloudy	Sleet	Heavy snow showers	Light snow showers (night)	Light snow showers (night)
Precipitation probability					
70%	20%	30%	50%	40%	30%

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Weather: Overnight strong winds easing through the day. Sunshine and scattered showers with heavier outbreaks during the afternoon, bringing a risk of hail and thunder. Snow level lowering to around 500-600m from late morning. Clear spells and scattered showers continuing through the evening.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 600m: 70% at any given time, but due to the showery nature of the rain and summit snow, most routes will be obscured by cloud at times

Visibility: Very good outside of showers, and beneath the cloud that will come and go above 500m. Any showers will bring some moderate to poor visibility, especially in any snow. A low chance of brief blizzard conditions on the tops at times

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	40/52 W	30/40 W	27/38 W	26/36 W	25/35 W	23/32 W	24/34 SW
300	24/49 W	19/38 W	19/38 W	16/33 W	15/31 W	13/29 W	14/31 SW
Valley	22/48 W	17/37 W	18/38 W	16/34 W	13/30 W	12/27 W	13/31 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	3/-5	2/-5	3/-4	2/-5	1/-6	0/-6	1/-6
300	5/-0	5/-0	7/2	5/0	3/-1	3/-2	3/-1
Valley	6/1	6/1	7/3	6/2	4/-0	3/-1	4/0
Freezing Level*	900m	700m	700m	700m	600m	600m	700m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Whilst storm force winds from overnight will soon ease, gales at height along with strong gusts will make walking difficult, especially across high level routes. This will be coupled with occasional snow showers at height, and a notable wind chill. The showery nature of the conditions could lead to some rapid deteriorations that could catch out the unprepared.

Recent rainfall: measured at Neuadd: altitude 353m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
03:00 on Thu 11 Mar 2021	21mm	23.4mm	23.4mm

Forecast for Friday 12 Mar 2021

Weather: Sunshine and showers, heavy, quite frequent and blustery during the morning, although snow becoming restricted to highest tops for a time, before snow level falls again to around 600m. A further band of rain and snow at height reaching from the west towards midnight.

Maximum wind: West 30mph with gusts reaching 40mph across most exposed ridges and summits.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 600m: 30% in the morning. Increasing to 80% through the afternoon, but all routes likely to see cloud obscured tops at times, due to the showers.

Visibility: Moderate to poor in the morning, with summits above 500m obscured, Visibility becoming good, but falling at times to moderate or poor in further showers that occur. Tops above 700m and occasionally 500m obscured at times

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 3 Celsius increasing Plus 7 Celsius during the afternoon
At 600m: Zero to Minus 2 Celsius
Freezing level: Rising above tops at first, then falling to 600m by midday. Rising above tops by dusk.

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